

Nephi, et al., Scripture Study (What Do We Study?)

Do we believe that because we get deeper understanding from the scriptures when we honestly and sincerely search them, that Christ is changing His mind about what he has said? IMO: When understanding is given by the Holy Ghost, we are fulfilling the covenant we have desired to make with our Lord, God, Savior, Redeemer, Jesus Christ, as explained:

*...Wherefore, **if** ye shall press forward, feasting upon **the word of Christ**, **and** endure to the end, behold, thus saith the Father: Ye shall have eternal life.*

*21) And now, behold, my beloved brethren, **this is the way; and there is none other way** nor name given under heaven whereby man can be saved in the kingdom of God. And now, behold, **this is the doctrine of Christ**, and the only and true doctrine.... -2 Nephi 30*

Think about these scriptures as an application to this theme:

*15) And upon these I write the things of my soul, **and many of the scriptures which are engraven upon the plates of brass**. For my soul delighteth in **the scriptures** (written upon the plates of brass), and my heart pondereth them, and writeth them for the learning and the profit of my children.*

16) Behold, my soul delighteth in the things of the Lord; and my heart pondereth continually upon the things which I have seen and heard. -2 Nephi 4

At this point Nephi had seen a near complete vision of Christ's world-plan when accompanied by an angel. He tells us:

27) And I, Nephi, heard and bear record, that the name of the apostle of the Lamb was John, according to the word of the angel.

*28) And behold, I, Nephi, am forbidden that I should write the remainder of the things which I saw and heard; wherefore the things which I have written sufficeth me; and **I have written but a small part** of the things which I saw.*

29) And I bear record that I saw the things which my father saw, and the angel of the Lord did make them known unto me.

*30) And now I make an end of speaking concerning the things which I saw while I was carried away in the spirit; and **if all the things which I saw are not written**, the things which I have written are true. And thus it is. Amen. -1 Nephi 14*

Think about it: Great prophets and seers have grabbed hold of the iron rod, pressed forward, and most likely endured to the end. **The foundation of the Book Of Mormon is Christ... period!** However, He has inspired and directed the contributors of the Book Of Mormon to include what is therein. The iron rod that we are aware of began with Lehi. Lehi obtained the brass plates. Thereafter Nephi began his record to which Mormon and Moroni abridged

content.

I would love to be alive when the brass plates are again given (see Alma 37) to get the correct picture of the Old Testament, and the writings of John (see Ether 4) to get the correct picture of the New Testament. In the mean-time, I hold fast to the Book of Mormon until the own due time of the Lord God (the only true God) Jesus Christ. If the writings in the extant Bible (KJV) are complicit with the Book Of Mormon, I am ecstatic. IMO... run, don't walk from BOC Chapters 1, 16-65, D&C, PoGP, JST, DHC, Egyptian Alphabet, Zelph, etc.